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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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I, Rishab Gupta declare that:

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I have been employed by John Wayne Cancer Institute since July 1, 1991. I am a named inventor of the above-captioned application.

2. It is my understanding that the examiner has objected to my prior declaratory submission regarding the Paulie reference on the grounds that (i) the source and identity of antibody P7A5 is not given, (ii) the methods of antigen preparation are not set forth, (iii) the source and character of antibody C6 is not given and (iv) there are no molecular weight markers for FIG. 1, and the molecular weight marker sizes are not given for FIG. 2 and FIG. 3.

3. First, with respect to antibody P7A5, that antibody is directed to the same antigen as the other antibodies in the Paulie reference. The attached letter from Dr. Paulie confirms this point.

4. Second, the methods by which both batches of UTAA antigen were prepared are as described in the instant specification.

5. Third, the C6 designation is merely a nickname used my laboratory for the antibody designated AD1-40F4 in the instant specification.

6. Fourth, it is submitted that the absence of molecular weight markers is not significant with respect to a comparison of immunologic reactivities. To the extent that the markers may quell any concerns the examiner might have, the markers in FIG. 2 and FIG. 3 are 106, 80, 49.5, 32.5, 27.5, and 18.5 kD, from top to bottom, in the lane marker "STD MW".

7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Dr. Rishab Gupta